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Memorandum

TO: Administration Committee DATE: February 3, 2010

FR: Executive Director W. I. 1227

RE: Contract - Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) Financial Review: TBD

On December 16, 2009, MTC adopted *Resolution 3831*, *Revised*, approving the reassignment of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds from the AC Transit Berkeley/Oakland/San Leandro Bus Rapid Transit project to implement restructured AC Transit operating services subject to the following conditions: (1) that AC Transit agrees to an independent comprehensive agency financial review; (2) that AC Transit agrees to an independent comprehensive subregional analysis of service effectiveness as part of the Transit Sustainability Project; and (3) that AC Transit will meet the eligibility requirements for CMAQ funding for the proposed operating expenses to the satisfaction of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) or obtain the agreement of another transit operator to assist in the exchange of funds. AC Transit has agreed to these conditions.

On January 13, 2010, MTC issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to select a firm to provide financial and management consulting services to support the comprehensive financial review. The financial review will consider cost control and revenue enhancement strategies to support AC Transit's long-term financial viability. This review, while sponsored by MTC, will be conducted in full consultation and partnership with AC Transit.

Proposal Evaluation

In response to the RFP, staff received two responsive proposals. An evaluation panel consisting of MTC and AC Transit staff is reviewing the proposals based on the following criteria: individual and team expertise and experience providing financial and management consulting services, approach to completing the project, cost effectiveness, and communication skills.

Staff will present a recommendation to the Administration Committee meeting on February 10, 2010.

Steve Heminger

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REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL Summary of Consultant Contract

Work Item No.: 1227

Consultant: Firm, To Be Determined

City, State

Work Project Title: AC Transit Financial Review

Purpose of Project: To conduct a comprehensive financial review of AC Transit

Brief Scope of Work: Comprehensive financial review that considers cost control and

revenue enhancement strategies sufficient to support AC Transit's

long-term financial viability.

Project Cost Not to

Exceed:

\$150,000

Funding Source: FTA 5303 and MTC General Fund

Fiscal Impact: Project is included in MTC's budget for FY 2009-10

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or his designee is authorized to

negotiate and enter into contracts with Firm TBD to conduct a financial review of AC Transit and the Chief Financial Officer is directed to set aside funds up to \$150,000 for such contract.

Admin Committee Chair:

Tom Bates

Approved: Date: February 10, 2010